

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-2163
of GTE Midwest, Inc. of Grinnell,)
Iowa, and Sprint Spectrum, LP of)
Kansas City, Missouri, seeking) INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
approval of their voluntarily-) APPROVED
negotiated interconnection)
agreement.) Entered: January 4, 2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

On November 22, 1999, an application was filed by GTE Midwest, Inc. (GTE) of Grinnell, Iowa, and Sprint Spectrum, L.P. (Sprint) of Kansas City, Missouri, seeking approval of their voluntarily-negotiated interconnection agreement. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on November 24, 1999. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Pursuant to Section 252(a) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), GTE and Sprint entered into an interconnection agreement arrived at through voluntary negotiations. An executed copy of the voluntarily-negotiated interconnection agreement is contained within the application.

Neither the agreement nor any portion thereof discriminates against any telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement. Furthermore, the implementation of the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

Section 252(e) of the Act requires this Commission to review negotiated interconnection agreements to ensure they comply with Sections 251 and 252(d) of the Act, as well as all applicable state laws. Using those standards, the interconnection agreement filed November 22, 1999, should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the voluntarily-negotiated interconnection agreement between GTE Midwest, Inc. and Sprint Spectrum, L.P. be, and it is hereby, approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executed interconnection agreement filed herein be, and it is hereby, made the official copy on file with the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 4th day of

January, 2000.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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